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HOLIDAY PUZZLE

The suggestion has been made by the Richmond News Leader that there be a consolidation of some of the November holidays, in the interest of preventing production losses. The 10-hour week means loss of eight days work in a month. To which add holidays for election day, Armistice Day and Thanksgiving, and you have eleven days lost from production in one month: quite a jar on a nation's economy.

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It appears to us that the idea of combining the Armistice Day and Thanksgiving should be considered. A Thanksgiving used to celebrate peace would be most impressive if it could include observance of the victories in both World War I and World War II, and be on a note of thanks to God for ALL His great blessings.

CHINA'S PLIGHT

Would that war-torn China could have an Appomattox! Would that generous peace terms could be arranged to end the frightful and the costly civil war! Would that the United Nations was big enough and strong enough to demand and get peace in the Orient! Let our prayer be that the world may cease its frightful destruction and life and property. Four hundred million people ravaged by long civil war is a condition to try the spirits of men.

Our great nation has poured out its resources to strengthen the nationalist government in China, but with inadequate results. We can't keep on indefinitely. Should not the China war be given to the UN Security Council at once?

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NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller

MUTT AND JEFF

By Bud Fisher

A SLEEK, SLIM FIGURE IS THE STYLE THIS YEAR! I'M GONNA GO ON A STRICT DIET!
BUT, M'LOVE, YOU'RE EATING PEANUTS AND PEANUTS ARE FATTENING!
WHO SEZ PEANUTS ARE FATTENING?
DID YOU EVER SEE AN ELEPHANT?
OH, MRS. MUTT! DID YOU HEAR ABOUT MY LANDLADY? SHE JUST LOST 130 POUNDS!
HOW?
HER HUSBAND LEFT HER!

LITTLE REGGIE

By Margarita

REGGIE JUST HAS A TOUCH OF VIRUS X. KEEP HIM IN BED FOR A WEEK - AND HE'LL BE OK!
DOC....WHEN I GET WELL, WILL I BE ABLE TO PLAY THE PIANO?
WHY CERTAINLY REGGIE - YOU CAN PLAY THE PIANO ALL THE TIME!
GEE THAT'S SWELL! I NEVER PLAYED IT BEFORE!

JITTER

By Arthur Pointer

WHEN'S BLOWING A GALE OUTSIDE PORCH CHAIRS MAY BLOW INTO THE FRONT WINDOWS
DON'T SHUT THAT DOOR!
SLAM
NOW YOU'VE DONE IT!...IT'S THUNDERING SO LOUD SUSIE CAN'T HEAR THE KNOCKER
HEY SUSIE!

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

By DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: Acts 1:8; 2:1-4, 4:1-4; 8:4-17, 25; 11:1-18; 13:1-3; 14:26-27; 16:1-10; 20:16; 28:31.

DEVOTIONAL READING: Acts 4:23-31.

Story of Revolution

Lesson for December 5, 1948

THE MOST important history in the world is in one small book. The most important movement, the most revolutionary, the one that is destined to change the world more than any other, is the Christian church. The story of how it began is in the book of Acts. No other book in or out of the New Testament tells this story. The history of the beginnings of the one and only international, interracial, world-wide movement that sets out to aim at nothing less than a complete transformation of mankind, the Revolution from Within, the Christian Church.

Dr. Foreman

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What the Church Is

THERE are hundreds of churches today and they do not all agree. But every church, whatever its name or peculiarities, aims to stay on the course marked out by the Christian church when it was one and undivided, the church of the Apostles. We look back to the story in Acts to see what the true church is.

In the very beginning, the church was not the place where the Christians met for worship. It was not the officers. The Apostles themselves were not the church. The church was not a thing at all; it was people.

In Acts these people are seldom called Christians and never called churchmen or church-members. They are given more meaningful names. They are called "disciples," that is, learners, students. They are called "believers." They are called "brothers" for their life was like that of a family. They are called the people of "the Way,"—travelers together to the same destination. The church, in short, is a fellowship, the Family of the Friends of Christ.

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How the Church Began

THE infant church was like all human babies: it began small and poor. No bystander would have expected it to live; but it had life in its heart. Two forces set that church on its way. One was the command of Christ.

The people who were in it, or rather the people who were the church, took their orders from Christ. It was because of him that they went out to bear witness to him to the "uttermost parts of the earth."

Then the people were filled with the Holy Spirit; they were guided constantly by the Spirit. The book of Acts has often been called the "Acts of the Holy Spirit" rather than of the Apostles.

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Leaders

GOD never does for people what they can do for themselves. So guidance of the Spirit was never a substitute for human leadership. A true church is not a mob: It acts, as the New Testament church did, in an orderly fashion.

One of the church's first problems was that of finding leaders. The history in Acts is largely the history of certain leaders—John, Peter, Paul. But these were not alone. Not even the Apostles tried to run the church like a dictatorship. The people themselves chose the officers who were ordained by the Apostles.

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What the Church Does

FIVE things the Apostolic church did, and these mark any true church today. They "continued in the Apostles' teachings;" the beginning of all our church schools and Sunday schools is in that brief phrase. They formed a fellowship; the church then was not a list of names of people who cared little for one another; it was a true family.

They observed the sacraments; they and their households were baptized, and they continued "in the breaking of the bread." Baptism and the Lord's Supper have always been observed in some form in every Christian church! They "continued in prayer;" a church in which only the minister prays is a feeble affair.

Above all, they were "witnesses." That is to say, they told the story of Jesus—his life, his teachings, his death, his resurrection. Jesus lives! Jesus is Lord! So the Apostles preached, from Jerusalem to Rome and far beyond. But their preaching would have been mere shouting in the wind, if Christ had not lived again in thousands of everyday Christians.

Farm Topics

Night Hog Feeding Shows Good Results

Experiment May Prove Useful During Summer

What is believed to have been the first experiment in night feeding of hogs indicates that this practice may prove highly practical, at least during the summer months.

The experiment was conducted by Robert C. Turner, a Henry, Ill., farmer, who produced an average gain of 92 pounds each on a lot of 107 Duroc hogs he had on night-feeding program for 63 days.

To encourage his pigs to eat during the cool of the night when they were reluctant to eat during the heat of the summer days, Turner erected lights in his hog lot. He set a time clock control set to turn on the lights on for two night feedings from 10 to 11:30 p. m. and from 2 to 3:30 a. m. One pole with a single 150-watt bulb and another pole with two 150-watt bulbs lighted the feeding lot area, while a third pole with two 150-watt bulbs lighted the self-feeders.

Turner fed a ration of ground ear corn and a pelletized milk product in self-feeders, hand fed ear corn and provided mineral, salt and grass or alfalfa pasture.

His 107 pigs, farrowed in late March and early April, weighed 4,424 pounds for the test at 7,424 pounds, or

What are believed to be new records for economical and speedy pork production were established by Robert C. Turner of Henry, Ill., in his night hog-feeding experiment.

average of 69.38 pounds each. They weighed out at 17,270 pounds, or an average of 161.4 pounds each. This meant a total gain of 9,846 pounds of pork, about 92 pounds per pig, or an average daily gain of about 1.45 pounds per pig.

The herd consumed a total of 27,089 pounds of feed at a cost of $389.91. According to these figures Turner produced his gain at the rate of 275 pounds of feed for each 100 pounds of pork, or a feed cost of about $11.70 for each hundred weight.

The experiment used 146 kilowatt hours of electricity at a cost of $7.45, or about seven cents per pig.

Plush Age on Farm

The future living quarters for Bossie and Dobbin may still be a far cry from farmhouse comforts and big-city penthouse plush, but at least some of them will have air conditioning, in the interests of more milk and better livestock health.

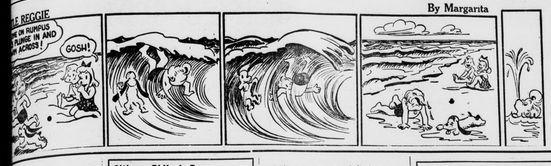
A new barn humidity control system which will reduce excessive barn moisture to levels that will do away with decay, rusting and mildewing equipment, and losses due to spoiled animal feed, bacteria and insanitary conditions, has been put on the market.

The new system will automatically control fans and other devices for reducing excessive animal-produced moisture which in winter often reaches 100 per cent saturation.

Contour-Seeded Fields Produce Larger Crops

Contour-seeded wheat fields produce larger crops than those seeded up and down the slope, according to recent export reports.

Increases of two to three bushels an acre have been reported on contour-seeded wheat fields in many instances. Also, in addition to producing bigger yields, wheat fields seeded in this manner erode less. It takes little extra time to plow, disc and seed on the contour.



...ge Dog Makes ...Hospital Visits

APPOMATTOX MASS. — The steadfast gaze of Lawrence Memorial Hospital's doors at the door instead

...ge Gal, a six-year-old ...rgeant seeing-eye dog, ...ly visits to her blind ...r Dr. Morris Anderson, 52, ...ic physician from ..., Neb.

...ast for five years, Gal ...nderson were parted ...ght when the woman was ...r truck while visiting ...Bedford.

...r. Anderson's long hos... with a fractured leg ...Gal never fails her blind

...Men Deny Charges ...ed Doctor Shortage

...0—Members of the medi... strunk back at criti... have implied that forces ...k in this country to cre... shortage of from 30,000 to 50,... years by 1960.

...erican Medical journal ... Thomas Parran, surgeon ...of the public health servi... former of the shortage sta... which it said recently were ...ed by Oscar R. Ewing, ...security administrator.

...ply the number of physi... increasing at a relatively ...id rate than is the general ...ed the journal said. "Ten ...e statistics indicated one ...ician for every 800 per... its country.

...ated there is one physi... every 700 persons. By 1960 ...e one physician for ev... persons or fewer. More phy... currently are being trained ...many than at any time in ...y. All indications point to ...e increase in the num... physicians graduated each

Citizens Ridicule Poor Wording of Soviet Sign

MOSCOW—The newspaper Soviet Moldavia called on restaurant managers and commercial officials to be more careful about their wording of signs because some cause a lot of laughter.

An amused citizen called on a doctor and asked him to fill out a certificate that he had a "normal neck." The doctor could not understand until the friend led him to a kerosene store which displayed a sign saying:

"Kerosene will not be sold to citizens with narrow necks." The sign referred, of course, to citizens who had cans with narrow necks.

Mysterious Ghost Train Spares Aged Man's Life

SAGINAW, MICH.—Edward Peacock, 91, owes his life to what apparently was a "ghost train."

The aged man stumbled and fell on a railroad crossing at 9:57 a. m. He was unable to rise as a freight train bore down on him.

Mrs. John R. Hilderbrant and Mrs. Mary Cummings, with whom Peacock lives in a home beside the tracks, said they saw the train grind to a halt within inches of the old man.

They said the engineer and conductor got out and carried Peacock into their home. He was not injured.

But police say they have no report of such an accident and neither has any railroad in the area. Furthermore, railroad officials agreed there was no train scheduled to pass the crossing within an hour of the time the incident occurred.

Play safe—drive carefully.

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Farming Is Dangerous In Terms of Accidents

Farming is dangerous. Of the eight major occupational groups in the country, farming is fourth in terms of the frequency of fatal accidents.

According to a report released by safety engineers of the Lumbermens Mutual Casualty company of Chicago, 52 farm workers per 100,000 were killed accidentally last year.

Only more dangerous were mining, construction work and transportation. Safer groups were wholesale and retail trades, manufacturing, service industries and public utilities.

Dollars for Barley

For writing an essay on "How Can We Make the Barley Crop Bring More Dollars Per Acre?" Bobby V. Bruegger, of Plymouth, Wis., has been named winner in a contest conducted among high school students of vocational agriculture by the Midwest Barley Improvement association.

Bobby, who is 15 years old, and in his sophomore year in the Plymouth high school, won the award, which consists of $50 in cash, in competition with hundreds of high school students in the five Midwest states of Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and Iowa.

As the winner of the Midwest regional prize, young Bruegger also was a winner of the first Wisconsin state prize of $25 and the Sheboygan county prize of $5 in the contest.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bruegger, Bobby helps with the work of the family's 40-acre farm, where the principal crops are grains and alfalfa. He has been active in 4-H club work for a number of years and is a member of the Future Farmers of America.

Play safe—drive carefully.

Got your Problems, Mr. Farmer?

New posers arise every day, don't they? Jobs to be done, chores you'd like to perform simply and quickly to save valuable time.

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Richwood

Richwood, Dec. 1.- The members of Central Baptist Church extend thanks to and feel proud of their pastor, the Rev. C. G. Carter, for his sermon on "Allegiance to the Master," broadcast over the Crewe radio station last Sunday morning. Divine services will be held at the church Sunday at 11 A. M.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Griffee, of Washington, D. C. were Thanksgiving holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watt.

Mr and Mrs. Carter Pankey were in Lynchburg Friday.

H. H. Harvey yas in Lynchburg on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Martin were visiting his parents Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hamm, of Roanoke were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watt Trursday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pierce and daughter, Joan, of Farmville, had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Carter Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tester and children, of Roanoke, were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Powell and other relatives from Wednesday to Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Harvey and daughter, Jo Ann were the evening guests Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. Carter Martin and J. L. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Powell, of Roanoke were visiting with Mrs. Annie Powell Sunday. Mrs. Powell is reported to be much improved and is able to be up and exercise for short periods of time.

Floyd Trent is forced to remain at home by illness, and is under a doctor's care.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Beale last week were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Megginson and son, Ray, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Vinston Thornhill, Mrs. Lillian Thornhill, Jack Manoly, of Newport News; Mrs. Etta Harris and son, Walter, of Clifton Forge; Mrs. Ida Beale, James and Clarence Beale, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Beale and daughter and Everette Beale.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Megginson, Mrs. Ida Beale, Mrs. Lula Beale and Sam Megginson spent Saturday with Mr. Ben Megginson.

The community was saddened by the deaths of Mr. Ragland Featherston and Mrs. Carrington Carter.

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MONROE LODGE

Monroe Lodge No. 301, A. F. & A. M., meets the second Monday of every month in their hall at Appomattox, at 8:00 P. M. Visiting brothers welcome.

-T. M. Richardson, W. M.

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Locust Grove

Locust Grove, Nov. 30.- Mrs. Alice Grow is spending some time in Roanoke with Mr. and Mrs. John Grow, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Megginson and son, Joe, Jr.; Miss Edna Megginson, Mrs. J. K. Megginson and daughters, Jacqueline and Dorothy recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Mustard, in Richmond.

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